FOREST DEPARTMENT.

Notification, dated 25th January 1896.

The following extract of Rule 12 of Rules issued under the Government of India Resolution, Circular No. 20—272-2 F, dated the 25th October 1895, is published for the information of the candidates applying for admission to the Imperial Forest School at Dehra Dun.

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12. *Private Students* comprise all those students who are at present without appointments in any Forest Service, and whose object it is, by becoming possessors of Forest School certificates, to obtain employment, either in the Forest Service of the Government of India, or in that of a Native State, or some other owner of forest-property.

(i) Candidates for admission to the Forest School as private students must not be less than 18 or more than 25 years of age, and their applications must be sent to a Conservator of Forests* through a Divisional Forest Officer of rank not below that of an Assistant Conservator of the 1st Grade, or through a Collector or other District Officer. Neither the Conservator, the Divisional Forest Officer, nor the Collector need belong to the Forest Circle or Province in which the candidate seeks employment; but Divisional Forest Officers and Collectors may not forward to Conservators applications unsupported by the five certificates enumerated below, namely :—

* Conservator of Forests, Bengal Circle, at Darjeeling.
Conservator of Forests, Assam Circle, at Shillong.
Conservators of Forests, North-Western Provinces and Oudh—
School Circle, at Dehra Dun.
Central Circle, at Naini Tal.
Oudh Circle, at Naini Tal.
Conservators of Forests, Central Provinces—
Southern Circle, at Nagpur.
Northern Circle, at Jabalpur.
Conservator of Forests, Berar Circle, at Amraoti.
Conservator of Forests, Punjab Circle, at Lahore.
Conservators of Forests, Upper Burma—
Eastern Circle, at Mandalay.
Western Circle, at Mandalay.
Conservators of Forests, Lower Burma—
Pegu Circle, at Rangoon.
Tenasserim Circle, at Rangoon.
Conservators of Forests, Madras Presidency—
Northern Circle, at Waltair.
Central Circle, at Madras.
Southern Circle, at Coimbatore.

(a) A certificate that the candidate is a "Native of India," within the meaning † assigned to those words by Section 6 of 33 Vict., Cap. 3.

(b) A certificate of age.

(c) A health certificate in the form prescribed by Article 61 of the Civil Service Regulations, signed by the Civil Surgeon of the District in which the said Divisional Forest Officer's or Collector's duties lie, and testifying to the candidate's sound constitution, good vision and hearing, and general physical fitness for a rough out-door life in the Forest Department.

(d) A certificate of respectability and good moral character from two or more persons whose social or official position can be accepted as a guarantee of reliableness.

(e) A certificate from an Officer of the Educational Department, of a rank not less than that of a Deputy Inspector of Schools or the Head-master of a High School under public management, to the effect that the candidate's education appears sufficiently good to give hopes of his being able to pass the entrance examination.

The last three certificates must bear date not further back than the 1st August of the year preceding that in which the candidate proposes to present himself at the entrance examination.

If any person, giving certificates as above under (c), (d), and (e), is in a position to mention anything more to the credit of the candidate than the certificates actually call for, he may do so.

(ii) Upon the receipt by the Conservator of any application in respect to which the preceding conditions shall have been observed, that Officer may either accept or reject the application, without assigning any reason for so doing; or he may require the candidate to produce other or better certificates in person before him.

(iii) Conservators may, at their option, test the fitness of a candidate who desires to enter the service of Government by practical work in the forests.

(iv) Those candidates who have been approved by the Conservator will be permitted, under his recommendation, to appear at the next entrance examination for the Forest School held in his Circle.

† "Native of India" means any person born and domiciled within the dominions of Her Majesty in India, or within the Territories of Indian Princes tributary to or in alliance with Her Majesty, of parents habitually resident in India, and not established there for temporary purposes only. (Article 45, Civil Service Regulations.)

(v) The *Entrance Examination* is held in the month of January each year, on such date as may be fixed by the Director, both at the Imperial Forest School and at such centres as may be fixed from time to time by Local Governments, and under such Officers, Educational, Revenue, Forest, or other, as may be appointed : provided that the date shall be communicated by the Director to Local Governments and Conservators on or before 1st November. The subjects of examination are :—

	Minima Pass marks. Per cent.
1. English { Conversation .. .. Composition	50.
2. Arithmetic	33
3. Algebra, up to and including Quadratic Equations ..	40
4. Elements of Euclid, Books I to IV and VI, with examples..	40
5. Mensuration—lengths, areas and volumes, with examples..	25
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The examination papers on the above subjects will be forwarded by the Director, in sealed covers, to such officials as the Local Governments may direct, in the month preceding the examination.

(vi) A Local Government may lay down rules under which the number of candidates allotted, under Rule 10, to the Province for admission into the school, shall be selected from the number of passed candidates. In such rules due regard must be had to the place taken in the examination, but the Local Government shall not be debarred from preferring, for good and sufficient reasons, a passed candidate who may have taken a lower place in the list to one higher on the list ; provided that the Director may, after inspection of the papers of the selected candidates, place before the Local Government an objection to the admission of any of such candidates on the ground that he is below the required standard.

(vii) The Local Government may, if it thinks fit, exempt from the entrance examination any candidate who is a Bachelor of Arts, or who has obtained a degree or diploma of about the same standard at any University in India, or in the United Kingdom, or in a British Colony, or at any educational institution to which the Government of India may extend the privilege : provided that such degree or diploma shall not give such candidate a preferential claim over any candidates who have passed the entrance examination and who may appear more eligible for the Forest Service.

(viii) Prior to the admission of a student, his parents or guardians must satisfy the Director that they are willing and able to defray the expenses of the student at the school. These expenses are estimated to be not less than Rs. 822½ for each student living in Native fashion, and Rs. 1,057½ in the case of those living in European fashion (*vide* Rule 21). Of these sums, parents or guardians must deposit with the Director, before the course commences, a sum of Rs. 141 in the case of Native students and Rs. 188 in the case of European students, to meet the initial cost of uniform, books, instruments, stationery, and camp-equipage (*vide* Rule 18), and, in addition, Rs. 50 as caution-money.

(ix) Local Governments may, on the recommendation of a Conservator or of the Director, and in exceptional cases, allow selected private students who have passed the entrance examination a monthly stipend, not exceeding Rs. 50, to assist them through the school course : provided that such selected private students previously execute an agreement binding themselves to serve the Local Government concerned (in the event of their obtaining the school certificate) for a period of not less than five years (*vide* Rule 17). Such monthly stipend may, in case of misconduct or unsatisfactory progress at the school be reduced, or altogether withdrawn, at the discretion of the Director.

(x) The names of those private students who succeed in obtaining the school certificate will be entered by the Director in a register to be kept for that purpose, and the Conservators of those Circles, in which the non-stipendiary private students may severally desire or be willing to serve, will be addressed by him with the view of obtaining appointments for such students. The Conservators concerned will, for this purpose, be furnished with the original certificates, already referred to in clause (i) of this Rule, the school certificates, and such other useful information, more especially regarding the physical qualifications of the students, as the Director may be in a position to furnish.

(xi) A list of private students, who may not succeed in obtaining appointments, will be forwarded by the Director to the Inspector General of Forests, who will circulate the list amongst Darbars, Conservators, and other persons likely to be in need of the services of trained Forest Officials.

(xii) The appointment to the service of Government of passed private students depends on the existence of vacancies in the various Circles, and even a stipendiary student has no claim to such appointment.

Notification, dated 2nd January 1896.

It is hereby notified that the undermentioned Plantations are closed for fire protection from 1st February to 31st May 1896, and no permission will therefore be granted for hunting, shooting or gaming therein during that period. Trespassers will be liable to prosecution.

No.	*Name of Plantation.*	*Taluk.*
1	Ammanagatta	Gubbi.
2	Ankapura	Do
3	Appasandra	Hoskote.
4	Arcavati Agraharpalya	Nelamangala.
5	Do Govindapura	Do
6	Do Huskur	Do
7	Do Kallupalya	Do
8	Do Sayappanahalli	Do
9	Baiyappanahalli	Kolar.
10	Bellavi	Malur.
11	Bennehalladakaval	Gubbi.
12	Bettahalli	Bangalore.
13	Do teak block	Do
14	Butts (Hebbal)	Do
15	Chennasettihalli	Gubbi.
16	Chikhardi	Sidlaghatta.
17	Dinneri	Malur.
18	Dodhardi	Hoskote and Sidlaghatta.
19	Gaudragolipura	Dodballapur.
20	Goravipura	Gubbi.
21	Harrenhalli	Do
22	Honnavalli	Do
23	Jadigenahalli (old and new)	Hoskote.
24	Jaksandra	Nelamangala.
25	Jangamakote	Sidlaghatta.
26	Jarkabande (A and B)	Bangalore.
27	Junnasandra	Dodballapur.
28	Kadgudi (A and B)	Bangalore and Hoskote.
29	Kadmutsandra	Malur.
30	Kadurhalli	Kadur.
31	Karbele	Bowringpet.
32	Kasimatta	Gubbi.
33	Kasipura	Mulbagal.
34	Kenchenhalli	Bangalore.
35	Kenchenpura	Nelamangala.
36	Kamasettihalli	Chikballapur.
37	Kodagihalli	Bangalore.
38	Kurubarahalli	Kadur.
39	Kurandahalli (old and new)	Malur.
40	Krishnarajpura	Nelamangala.
41	Lakshmisagara (A and B)	Malur.
42	Machohalli (A and B)	Nelamangala
43	Mallappanahalli	Malur.
44	Mallathalli	Bangalore.
45	Malleswara	Kadur.
46	Marasandra	Malur.
47	Marsettihalli	Gubbi.
48	Mavinkommanahalli	Nelamangala.
49	Mailapura	Tiptur.
50	Netkunte	Gubbi.
51	Nagarbhavi	Bangalore.
52	Nellal (A, B and C)	Hoskote.
53	Pinya	Bangalore.
54	Pandithanahalli	Tumkur.
55	Ramachendrapura	Malur.
56	Sambargiddakaval	Devanhalli and Chikballapur.
57	Sulkere	Bangalore.
58	Tatnur	Hoskote.
59	Tindal	Hoskote and Malur.
60	Turuvanahalli	Kadur.
61	Uddi Hoskere	Gubbi.
62	Vakkaleri	Kolar and Malur.
63	Vappahunase	Kadur.
64	Yesavantapura (A and B)	Malur.

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